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ALGERIA

Finance Minister, French Trade Minister Hold Talks*LD291259 Algiers APS in Arabic 0700 GMT 29 Apr 86*

[Text] Algiers, 29 Apr (APS) — Yesterday, Abdelaziz Khellef, member of the FLN Central Committee and minister of finance, received Michel Noir, French minister of external trade, at his ministry. Talks between the two sides focused on the existing economic relations between the two countries and ways of strengthening and supporting them by taking into consideration joint interests especially in the fields of public service, transport, and industry. The two ministers discussed the issues that may be studied by the mixed subcommittees of the joint Algerian-French commission.

Maghreb Parties Issue Political Declaration*LD291327 Algiers APS in English 1055 GMT 29 Apr 86*

["Maghrebian Parties: The Political Declaration" — APS headline]

[Text] Algiers, 29/04/86 (APS) — Parties of the Maghreb countries which ended their works yesterday, exhorted the Maghreb countries and all the Arab countries to efficiently face the serious consequences resulting from the imperialist aggression perpetrated by the United States and Israel against Libya and Tunisia and expressed their indefectible [as received] support to the two brother peoples.

In a political declaration released at the end of these talks the political parties expressed their conviction that the Arab Maghreb unity full part of the project of edification of the Arab unity requires the gathering of objective conditions susceptible of mobilizing the Arab peoples and to reinforce their common struggle against the imperialo-Zionist hegemony. [sentence as received]

In this regard they expressed their consideration before the heroic resistance of the Palestinian people under the PLO leadership and called for the unity of ranks of the different formations of the Palestinian resistance.

Considering the recrudescence of the imperialo-Zionist offensive and the press into aiming at the manipulation of the international public opinion, the political declaration reiterated the call of the Maghreb countries for a rapid and urgent solution of the Western Sahara conflict in the interest of the Arab Maghreb and the aspirations of its peoples for unity, progress and stability.

Prime Minister Brahimi Pays Official Visit to Turkey

For Ankara coverage of the visit to Turkey by Prime Minister Abdelhamid Brahimi, including his meetings with Turkish Prime Minister Turgut Ozal and President Kenan Evren, see the Turkey section of the 30 April Western Europe *DAILY REPORT* and subsequent issues.

LIBYA

Tripoli Television Broadcasts Death Poem to Reagan*LD292114 Tripoli Television Service in Arabic 2006 GMT 29 Apr 86*

[Announcer-read poem: "A Poem and Promise From the Libyan People"]

[Text]

The child-killer will be killed without delay,
let all generations soon be witnesses.
Reagan, my people is known;
just read history and see
widely known as are all circumstances,
you will be killed, most certainly.
The child-killer will be killed without delay,
let all generations soon be witnesses;
your death will remain an example of joy and rejoicing
for the people,
despite masses of guards you will be killed, most certainly.
The child-killer will be killed without delay,
let all generations soon be witnesses;
you will be killed in a contemptible manner,
instantly like a stuck pig;
people will be puzzled and your heart will look like a sieve.
The child-killer will be killed without delay,
let all generations soon be witnesses;
you in this contemporary era witness;
Reagan's killing is inevitable on an ill-fated day,
ill-omened for him.
With the help of Almighty God
the child-killer will be killed without delay;
let all generations soon be witnesses.

[Video shows President Reagan with bared torso and his mouth open]

Rome Daily Carries Al-Qadhdhafi Interview on Raid*PM301128 Rome LA REPUBBLICA in Italian 27-28 Apr 86 p 3*

[Unattributed report on interview with Libyan Chief of State Mu'ammar al-Qadhdhafi by Saed Naqvi of the New Delhi *WORLD REPORT* at Bab al-'Aziziyah; date not given]

[Text] [Saqi] Colonel al-Qadhdhafi, the entire world would like to know exactly what happened on the night of 15 April when the Americans bombed Tripoli and your home.

[Al-Qadhdhafi] I was asleep at home with my family. I could not have imagined that in this era there were barbarians planning to attack my family in their sleep. There was no reason of any kind — there was no direct war between the United States and Libya, no reason for the United States to do what it did, no reason for a major power to use its might against a small country.

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[Naqvi] Let us talk about the political aspects later. First tell me how you escaped. Did the bombs hit the room you were in or were you far away? Did you see them explode?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] The house collapsed into a pile of masonry. I rushed to save the children; it was difficult to make headway amid the bombs and the flames. There were many difficulties that night also because my wife was confined to bed with a slipped disk. The attack was perpetrated by 33 aircraft and centered on my home and tent. You can take a look for yourself. [Al-Qadhdhafi ends] This is the start of the interview with Al-Qadhdhafi granted to the Indian journalist Saed Naqvi, who met with the colonel at Bab Al-'Aziziyah. It is the first exclusive interview granted by the Libyan leader since the crisis. We reprint it in full. Naqvi writes: "Libya may be forced to join the socialist bloc as a result of the American initiatives. Al-Qadhdhafi told me: 'The Americans forced Cuba to become a communist country. Reagan could force Libya in the same direction.' He said that if Libya's neutrality is not observed, 'then we will choose the socialist camp against the imperialist camp.' Al-Qadhdhafi also told me that the Americans know that we [Libyans] have nothing to do with terrorism but that they conduct propaganda against Libya because Libya supports the Palestinian liberation movement. Al-Qadhdhafi also condemned the bomb explosion at the British Airways office in London. Naqvi continues: "I was taken to the hotel at Bab Al-'Aziziyah, the large complex enclosed by high walls where Al-Qadhdhafi usually lives and where his offices are. It was Al-Qadhdhafi's house in this complex that was hardest hit by the American bombs that killed Hana, his 16 month old adopted daughter, and wounded the other children. At the gates there were two tanks sunk into the ground. There were soldiers everywhere. I was taken to a large room furnished with leather sofas and two modern candelabra. The foreign minister led me to a staircase leading to another room well below ground level. In the middle there stood a table tennis table, and a dozen soldiers armed with submachine guns were watching television and smoking.

"After passing through several more rooms I reached an austere low-ceilinged rectangular room with white walls and a table in the middle — apparently a makeshift headquarters. Al-Qadhdhafi wore a dark gray pilot's uniform, with an embroidered black cape over his shoulders. He was standing behind the table and greeted me with a wave. If he was tense he did not show it: He was pensive, but smiled at times."

[Naqvi] How do you intend to respond to the U. S. act of aggression.

[Al-Qadhdhafi] By continuing mankind's struggle, the struggle against imperialism and for every peoples' right to be free and to a place in the sun. We must make every effort to maintain world peace.

[Naqvi] As a statesman and politician, how do you explain Reagan's actions? Why did he do it? For domestic reasons? To alter the political situation in the Middle East?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] There are profound psychological reasons.

[Naqvi] Namely?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] The crusading spirit against Islam, an anti-Semitic spirit against the Arabs, because the Arabs are Semites. The Arabs are the real Semites. Moreover, he hates revolution, he hates socialism, he hates liberation struggles. He is a capitalist and a fanatic. He is a failed actor who has become president of a major power and wants to show that he can set big war machines in motion. He is suffering from old age and cancer. He wants the world to end at the same time as his own life is coming to an end. Why should it endure after him? I have studied psychology, so my analysis is well-founded. Reagan has a special relationship with Mrs Thatcher: He wants to show her his real worth.

[Naqvi] His worth as a man?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] Yes, exactly. These are the psychological reasons for what he did. Then there are the political reasons. And here his advisers bear the greater share of responsibility: They believe that it is important and necessary to fill the vacuum in the Mediterranean before there are any changes.

[Naqvi] What vacuum?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] His advisers believe that the Soviet Union does not yet have a strong presence in the Mediterranean, which is why they want to gain control of the entire area before that happens. He wants to fill the area before the first Russian aircraft carrier reaches the Mediterranean.

[Naqvi] Do you mean that the first Russian aircraft carrier is about to enter the Mediterranean?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] Reagan wants to fill the area before that happens so that the Soviets have no chance of entering the Mediterranean on a large scale. The Russians are constructing two further aircraft carriers. The Americans are afraid of changes in the region that would hinder their presence.

[Naqvi] What developments, what changes?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] The attainment of Arab unity, revolutions in the Mediterranean area, the victory of the 'Greens' in West Germany and Europe. NATO's attempt to disrupt the balances achieved after World War II is a very dangerous initiative. The experiment of disrupting the balances is starting with Libya. They believe they have found the right time to alter the balance of power.

[Naqvi] How?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] Through their attack, their testing of new sophisticated weapons, the intervention in the area: In the final analysis it is all directed against the Soviet Union. Libya was an obstacle. Libya has repelled the attack: This is why it deserves to be called the Great Jamahiriyah.

[Naqvi] Hijacked aircraft and innocent people killed at airports: This is what we call terrorism. Why is your name associated with such incidents?

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[Al-Qadhdhafi] The Americans want to put an end to the Arab liberation movement. They find an excuse for hitting the liberation movements. So when there are incidents such as an aircraft hijacking, they exploit them and carry out large-scale propaganda to shift attention away from the Palestinians' struggle.

[Naqvi] But do you deplore acts of terrorism such as the latest attack on the British Airways office?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] We are clearly and definitely opposed to terrorism. Hijacking and killing innocent people... we do not accept such methods. The Americans know that we are not the guilty parties but they want to put an end to the struggle of all peoples for their liberation. But they cannot. Empires always come to an end and the peoples triumph. Violence existed in this world before I carried out the revolution in Libya. Terrorism existed and was carried out by the Americans and Israelis before I was born — in 1936, 1940, and 1948. Those were the years of Israeli terrorism against the Arabs.

There are problems in the world that must be resolved before violence will end — the Palestinian issue, the problem in Ireland, the world's minorities, South Africa, Namibia, the problem of freedom in Latin America, racism, exploitation, colonialism: These are the causes of violence. New Caledonia is a cause of violence, so is Martinique. Violence cannot be eliminated by means of a raid on Libya or on my tent. And this raid on my tent will not end the freedom struggle.

[Naqvi] If Reagan does not heed the nonaligned countries and the United Nations and has the military strength to do what he wants, what will happen?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] He will create a worldwide imbalance between the NATO and Warsaw Pact countries. Then he will find himself having to deal with the Warsaw Pact countries. His action could lead to World War III. But his actions are also hastening the advent of the Arab people's unity.

[Naqvi] Will he drive you into the communist camp?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] Whoever comes after me could be driven into the communist camp. So could I.

[Naqvi] Why are you not a communist?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] Reagan is trying to show that we cannot be neutral. If there can be no neutrality then we choose to be in the socialist camp against the imperialist camp.

[Naqvi] Has the USSR helped you in the past few days?

[Al-Qadhdhafi] Certainly.

[Naqvi] So there will be no more American bombings of Libya....

[Al-Qadhdhafi] The reasons why Reagan attacked us still exist and he could continue along his path.

**Al-Qadhdhafi Awards Medals for Service During Attack
LD291323 Tripoli Voice of Greater Arab Homeland
in Arabic 1300 GMT 29 Apr 86**

[Text] JANA has learned that the supreme commander of the Libyan Arab Armed Forces [Al-Qadhdhafi] has granted medals of service, grade 1 to all those currently on active service, to all those discharged of service, and to the reserves who carried out their duties during the cowardly U.S.-NATO raids without being ordered to do so.

Further Reportage on Visit by Iranian Ministers

**Further on Talks With Al-Mansur
LD292029 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian
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[Excerpts] During the meeting which was also attended by the minister of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps and by the ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran to Libya, Kamil Hasan al-Mansur, secretary of the Peoples Committee of the Foreign Liaison Bureau, welcomed the Iranian delegation, saying: The leadership and people of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya appreciate with great happiness the support and backing of the people and authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran and when I was in Tehran during the time of the U.S. aggression against Libya, I closely witnessed the sympathy of the Muslim people and support of the authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

In another part of his speech he said: Undoubtedly we are in a single trench and onslaughts and plots by the United States and its allies will not have the slightest effect on the revolutionary morale of the Libyan people.

Kamil Hasan al-Mansur also said: At the nonaligned conference the Iranian delegation carried out some worthy activities in connection with this U.S. aggression and the presence of this high-ranking delegation at this sensitive juncture is yet another demonstration of the depth of solidarity and unity between the two countries.

In his reply Mr Velayati, expressing gratitude for the warm welcome accorded by the Libyan authorities, said: We feel that support for the progressive and revolutionary countries in the Islamic world is a necessary duty and we are manning the same trench with you and, therefore, despite the fact that we are beset with an all-out war, nevertheless when the U.S. attack against our brothers in Libya took place our people deemed it an aggression against themselves, extensively and extraordinarily expressed their support for the Muslim Libyan people, and the presence of this delegation comprising prominent officials of the various organs of the Islamic Republic of Iran in the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya is indicative of our all-round support for the Muslim people and leadership of Libya.

In another part of his speech Mr Velayati, extolled the stances adopted by the people of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, and said: The U.S. onslaught, which took place thanks to the concerted efforts of subservient reactionaries,